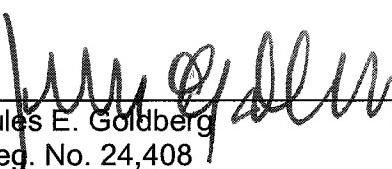


REMARKS

As a result of the foregoing amendment, the claims have been modified to remove all multiple dependencies for purposes of reducing the filing fee. Accordingly, entry of this amendment is earnestly solicited.

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